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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/758,876	<b>Applicant(s)</b> NACHAMIEV ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b> Abdelmoniem Elamin	<b>Art Unit</b> 2116	

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**Period for Reply**

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 May 2007.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8, 12, 15, 16 and 19 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 9-11, 13-14, 17-18 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)                                | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)<br>Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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## DETAILED ACTION

### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102*

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

1. Claim 1-8, 12, 15-16, 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Gunther, US. Pat. No. 7,154,253.
2. Claims 1, 15-16, Gunther teaches a digital controller device for interfacing a user adjustable power unit and an adjustable power module [*controller 405 of Fig. 4*] comprising:
  - at least one analog to digital converter for converting analog user input signal provided by a user to digital input [*col. 7, lines 19-22*];
  - a micro-controller adapted to receive said input digital information and operate at least one digital to analog unit in response to said digital input information [*controller 405 of Fig. 4*];
  - at least one digital to analog converter unit adapted to produce analog input signal for controlling adjustable module [*col. 2, lines 44-49*].
3. Claim 2, Gunther teaches said micro-controller further comprising at least one digital input for receiving at least one user digital command [*410 of Fig. 4*].
4. Claims 3, 19, Gunther teaches said at least one digital input receiving at least one user digital command from at least one front panel [*inherent*].
5. Claim 4, Gunther teaches said at least one user digital command is used to instruct said micro-controller to change its response to said digital input information [*Fig. 4 and related*].

*disclosure*].

6. Claim 5, Gunther teaches at least one analog to digital converter for receiving analog monitoring output signal from adjustable module and transmitting output digital information indicative of said analog monitoring output signal to said micro-controller [*col. 7, lines 19-22*].

7. Claim 6, Gunther teaches at least one digital to analog converter producing analog user output signal indicative of the status of the controlled power system in response to digital information received from said micro-controller [*col. 2, lines 44-49*].

8. Claim 7, Gunther teaches the relation between user output signal and analog monitoring output signal is controlled by micro-controller according to its programming [*see controller 405 of Fig. 4 and related disclosure*].

9. Claims 8, 12, Gunther teaches at least one digital communication interface connected to said micro-controller and capable of receiving digital control commands and transmitting digital output [*col. 7, lines 19-22*].

#### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

10. Claims 9-11, 13-14, 17-18 objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

#### ***Response to Arguments***

11. Applicant's arguments with respect to claim 1-19 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

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12. Applicant's amendment (*filed on 11/15/2006*) necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

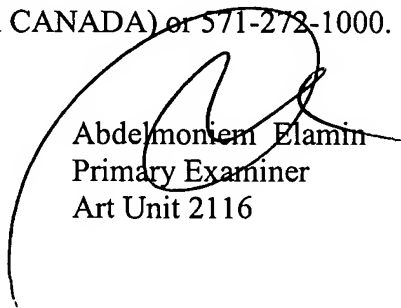
### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Abdelmoniem Elamin whose telephone number is 571-2727-3674. The examiner can normally be reached on MON - THUR 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rehana Prveen can be reached on 571-272-3676. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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